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SUBJECT: OPAT/FAA SPARE PARTS CONTRACT

1. OFFICIALS OF TUNISIAN AIR PORTS AUTHORITY (OPAT) CALLED ON EMBOFF JUNE 13 TO REQUEST FURTHER ASSISTANCE IN UNTANGLING KNOTTY PROBLEM OPAT HAS ENCOUNTERED IN OBTAINING SPARE PARTS FOR AIRPORT EQUIPMENT INSTALLED AT TUNIS-CARTHAGE AIRPORT IN COLLABORATION WITH FAA. THIS IS NOT FIRST PROBLEM OF ITS KIND BETWEEN OPAT AND FAA, AND CAN BE TRACED TO INFLEXIBLE TUNISIAN CUSTOMS DOCUMENTATION REGULATIONS WHICH ARE MINUTELY ENFORCED DESPITE THE HIGH COST TO TUNISIAN AGENCIES IN TERMS OF MONEY AND DOWNTIME OF EQUIPMENT. EMBOFF AGREED TO TRY TO HELP, BUT SUGGESTED MORE FLEXIBILITY ATTITUDE IN PART OF CUSTOMS OFFICIALS WOULD GO LONG WAY TOWARD SOLVING PROBLEM.

2. PROBLEM INVOLVES FAA AGREEMENT NUMBER NAT-I-821 FOR SUPPLY OF VARIOUS TYPES OF SWITCHES AND ELECTRICAL DEVICES SHIPPED BY FAA (OKLAHOMA CITY) UNDER SHIPPING ORDER NUMBERS 5-353-98ZA; 6-231-98ZA; 5-036-39ZA; 5-041-39ZA. FAA WASHINGTON HAD PROVIDED PROFORMA INVOICE FOR ITEMS OF ABOVE-LISTED SHIPPING ORDERS AS FOLLOWS: MERCHANDISE \$4,445.70; FRAIS GENERAUX \$1,098.84; AIR FREIGHT \$132.00; INSURANCE \$17.78 FOR A TOTAL OF \$5,694.32.

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THIS GLOBAL FIGURE IS MAXIMUM OPAT MAY PAY FOR THIS ORDER. HOWEVER, ORDER ARRIVED WITH FAA BILL NUMBER 77-751 WHICH INCLUDED REFERENCES TO A PREVIOUS ORDER (IN AMOUNT OF \$1,615) PART OF WHICH HAD BEEN RETURNED BY GOT AUTHORITIES DUE TO LACK OF IMPORT LICENSE, TOTAL OF INVOICE WAS \$6,151. CUSTOMS WILL NOT ACCEPT THIS INVOICE BECAUSE IT DIFFERS FROM PRO-FORMA.

3. SINCE MERCHANDISE COVERED BY ABOVE CITED SHIPPING ORDERS (AND USG BILL OF LADING K-4036357) IS IN TUNISIA, REQUEST FAA SEND REVISED INVOICE TO OPAT, FOR DELIVERED MERCHANDISE ALONE USING AMOUNTS CITED IN PROFORMA INVOICE. ALTERNATIVELY, FAA COULD AUTHORIZE EMBASSY TO DUPLICATE INVOICE FORM AND SUPPLY OPAT WITH REVISED FINAL INVOICE CORRESPONDING TO PROFORMA.

4. EMBASSY AWARE THAT THIS MESSAGE SOMEWHAT SKETCHY, BUT HOPES DETAILS ARE SUFFICIENT TO BRING CASE TO ATTENTION OF FAA OFFICIAL FAMILIAR WITH CASE. REQUEST NEA/AFN RELAY MESSAGE TO FAA AND FACILITATE REPLY.

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